

New Academia of FTMS at TPM

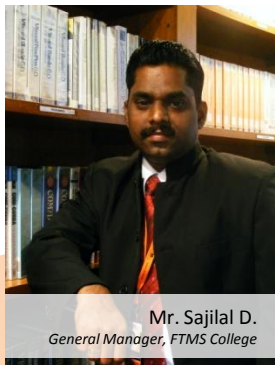
For the past 26 years, FTMS College has been continuously providing quality academic and professional courses from the deliberately selected location in the bustling city centre of Kuala Lumpur. This August, FTMS College will cross the threshold to a new milestone with a brand new campus in Technology Park Malaysia.

The new campus will be hosting the college's undergraduate and post-graduate franchise degree programmes from the United Kingdom in a three-storey building with a urbanized area of 200,000 square feet, sprawling across five acres of land in Technology Park Malaysia.

The college's principal Mr. Sajjal Divakaran, states that they are intending to commence their new academic programmes on **1st August 2012** with 1,000 undergraduate and post-graduate students.



3D view of the New FTMS Campus at TPM



Mr. Sajjal D.
General Manager, FTMS College

FTMS College is well known for its affiliation with universities in the United Kingdom, such as the University of East London (UEL), Anglia Ruskin University (ARU), the University of Portsmouth and Oxford Brookes University, who offer programmes at both Bachelors and Masters Degree level.

Their current undergraduate programmes include Software Engineering, Accounting and Finance, Business Information Systems, International Management and their postgraduate programmes embrace Computer Systems and Engineering, Business Administration, Information Technology and Software Engineering.

There were notable words given by the General Manager Mr Sajjal Divakaran who stated, "We will be running a number of new programmes on computing courses from UEL and various business and finance courses from ARU. We will also having a new collaboration with the Leeds Metropolitan University, to offer Bachelor and Master Degrees in its Engineering programmes and its Hospitality and Tourism programmes".

Mr. Sajjal also states that FTMS College believes that UK education is more reliable, and has assured quality.

FTMS College's new home - the Technology Park Malaysia (TPM), is the country's most sophisticated and widespread centre solely for research and development for knowledge-based industries. It has a total land area of 750 acres and comprises 12 state-of-the-art buildings where each comes with specific functions.

The new campus, being a part of the vivacious and green technology hub, it will be well equipped with numerous amenities such as a large library, centres for internal and external college activities and a range of sports facilities like squash, badminton, futsal and gym. There will be twenty classrooms capable of hosting between 20 to 90 students and well-equipped laboratories.

Mr. Sajjal added that RM12 million has been invested for the new campus as FTMS works towards becoming an MSC-status organisation to go with its ISO certification. "The college also provides shuttle services from LRT stations to the campus for the students and the staff. We have also arranged hostel accommodations nearby especially for our international students," the general manager declared.

FTMS College currently has 1,200 International students, which are close to 50 per cent of the student's population from more than 42 countries who are pursuing their tertiary studies at diploma, bachelor degree and master degree levels.

Student Accommodation is available close by the campus is self catering units. A Scheduled shuttle service between the Bukit Jalil LRT station and the campus is also available for those who live further away from Technology Park Malaysia Campus.



Specialized courses are the new enlargement in response to what the market desires



As the new campus can accommodate 3,000 to 4,000 students, Mr. Sajjal says that there are a lot of potentials for growth in student numbers. "We are looking forward to augment the figure to 2,000 to 2,500 students in the subsequent year and we also plan to offer more courses, especially in engineering and hospitality courses.

Based on their market research, there are emerging demands for electrical and civil engineers as well as hospitality and tourism management in Malaysia. The college is offering bachelors degree for those respective fields of study which augment their areas of expertise. In addition internships with 15 reputable hotels in Malaysia for Hospitality and Tourism Management graduates has been organised.



Anglia Ruskin University

Mr. Sajjal added that the college is also looking to commence a few more innovative courses such as computer network, mobile communication, information security and forensic computing.

"These are the promising fields in the U.K. and U.S. Some of the universities in Malaysia have started these programs but they are not well established yet, as one needs resources and facilities to support the courses," expressed the principal. FTMS College is scheduling to start these undergraduate programs next February with UEL, which is currently offering these programs in its university in the UK.

"Such specialized courses are the new growth areas in response to what the market desires. Above and beyond, the young people these days are much focused and are motivated to go for a field that will benefit the market and society," he further adds. With a prominence on education that meets the market's demand, Mr. Sajjal affirmed the employability rate for FTMS graduates to be around 95 per cent.

He also acknowledged that the qualities of graduates are important, and that the courses offered help to mould the scholars to be capable and employable. He also claimed that their modules are mostly practical-based and that the college's academic staff encompasses with extensive industrial experience.

He also proclaimed that the current 5-story building with 60,000 square feet in Jalan Hang Kasturi will continue to host the professional courses, diploma courses, foundation and English courses.



FTMS College, which is currently franchised in 12 countries in Asia and Africa is foremost established and well known as an institution that offers professional courses. It has a very strong foundation in the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA), the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) and the Confederation of Tourism and Hospitality (CTH). FTMS also offers its own Diploma programmes in a variety of disciplines that provide pathways to degree programmes offered.

Mr. Sajjal declares that one of their strengths is having highly qualified lecturers with more than 60 per cent of them having more than 20 years of experiences. "Some of them are from industry and they bring in the industrial insights that are beneficial to the students. We are also working closely with the association of ACCA in getting curriculum updated.

"Many of the 1,200 students pursuing these qualifications are part-timers and the city-centre location is convenient for them", he stated.

Collaboration with Leeds Metropolitan University



Leeds Metropolitan University UK, visits to FTMS College



FTMS stands as one family where it has enhanced its quality and performance through a period of time. FTMS College is well known for its affiliation with universities in the United Kingdom, such as University of East London (UEL), Anglia Ruskin University (ARU), University of Portsmouth and Oxford Brookes University, which offers franchise programmes for both Bachelors and Masters Degrees.

Incidentally, their current eminent undergraduate programmes are Software Engineering, Accounting and Finance, Business Information Systems, International Management and as for their postgraduate programmes it embraces Computer System and Engineering, Business Administration, Information Technology and Software Engineering.

On top of their triumph, they are having a new collaboration. This is with the Leeds Metropolitan University, to offer Bachelor and Master Degrees in the university's Engineering programmes and Hospitality and Tourism programmes.

By having this new collaboration, FTMS will enhance the curricula and overall program quality and maximize the utilisation of resources and eliminate unnecessary duplication. Moreover, FTMS will also increase the accessibility and flexibility of academic offerings to students. This collaboration will broaden the communication and development of trust and a shared vision and cohesive voice for participating universities.

Undoubtedly, FTMS is going to reach their vision and mission by taking all opportunity offered in order to widen their status and quality.

Thus, studying in FTMS is an opportunity to augment one's educational level and their personality as well.

Studying with FTMS

FTMS's ambition is for all their students to achieve their full potential during their time of studying. As a graduate student of FTMS, you will be a member of an expanding institution. You will receive close individual support from an expert in your field - your faculty or department will assign you a personal supervisor whose role is to guide your program of study or research. The availability of a suitable supervisor is one of the factors the faculty or department takes into account when considering your application. Graduate study at FTMS should be a life-changing experience. Whatever your ambitions for the future, you will benefit from participating here as fully as you can in each of the communities, large and small, to which you belong, and from contributing to the future of the institutions with which your life here is involved.

Most of those institutions will sound familiar to you. Departments, Faculties, Libraries and Laboratories: one or more of these will be where your course is taught, where your research is undertaken and supervised, by specialists in your discipline. But like every FTMS student and many of the academic staff, you will also be a member of a College, where enthusiasts from every discipline meet and enrich each other across subject boundaries and generations, and you will remain a member of your college for life.



Throughout its history, FTMS has had many activities, which are an intimate aspect of social and intellectual communities of scholars. They are educational charities, each with a particular mission and character, and they have evolved in response to different social pressures. They remain flexible, reacting to the changing needs of their members. But all are devoted to study and research across the range of disciplines and generation.



Some of the advantages of joining the college are material, and obvious. These include induction in your first weeks; on-going academic and pastoral support from your Tutor and Graduate Office; accommodation and catering; financial advice and assistance; social, cultural and sporting facilities; opportunities for research, teaching, and professional development, through interdisciplinary seminars or intergenerational networks of College members. The college administers formal processes .

The monitoring international students' status for visa purposes, and graduation. They also work closely with the college's central bodies to shape college policy on a range of educational and financial issues affecting graduates, and to negotiate with the college on behalf of their own students. Studying in FTMS is something which all the students look for when it comes to education.



50,000



LIKES on FTMS FACEBOOK



FTMS Facebook, a social networking website located at <http://www.facebook.com/FTMSKL> has recently gained popularity as an online tool that helped FTMS to hit 50,000 'LIKES' meeting big achievement among students and public. Because of the large number of users visiting this social platform, FTMS turned to Facebook as a way to connect people and helping to share information with the public in a short period of time.

This showed that students who interacted more on FTMS Facebook in their through-out semesters reported being happier and less stressed and had higher self-esteem. In the first semester, FTMS students who have a tight support network surrounding them are likely to feel more confident and appreciated. By the second half of the year, those with more friends on FTMS Facebook are likely to be the ones who have been happier, interacted more, and have therefore made more new friends. Hence, FTMS students can gain social confidence from interacting with other people online, which may help them feel more secure in new situations, such as going to college, joining a sports team, and meeting new friends rather than in college itself. Moreover, constantly evolving FTMS students become more familiar with news feeds or news shared by FTMS Facebook site.

Many FTMS students find support in online communities; this is especially true for students who have unique interests or feel isolated. In addition, online communities can be very diverse and expose FTMS students to many new viewpoints, ideas, and opinions that they may not be familiar with. Since FTMS students are from various parts of the world, it helps those keeping in touch with family members that live far away through the use of online social networking. By sharing updates, photos, videos, and messages, family members can stay connected.



THE MULTIRACIAL POPULATION IN FTMS

Students of FTMS College are truly having the best time to experience the mixed culture of various ethnics of students from all over the world. Simply mean, there are students from more than 50 countries and FTMS becomes a platform for everyone in making them to meet under one roof. First of all, there are hundreds of programs out there that enable the students to work together with their peers. This interaction among the peers help to achieve the goal of FTMS in uniting different nations together through their civilians.

Another immense benefit of studying in FTMS College is that, gaining experience with the new culture. Gaining knowledge in a mixed culture zone makes students to learn in an engaging way. In addition, it's the best way they can make friends from all over the world. Educators who studied abroad often assert that one of the goals of studying abroad is to train future global leaders to be more effective, respect other cultures and political and economic systems, and willing to take a stand for the world's welfare.

Besides that, students from various parts of the world help them to improve in their language skills. It is an opportunity to improve their language skills and get some easy A's which boost their GPA!

TPM Campus Transportation Information

Students and visitors to our TPM campus can opt to travel by public transport, drive or come on foot.

Students staying in the vicinity of the surrounding apartments can get to the campus by a 15-20 minute walk or by the shuttle bus provided by FTMS.

To get to the campus by public transport, get down at Bukit Jalil LRT Station (Star LRT Line) and take the FTMS shuttle bus to head towards campus.

Alternatively, students can drive or carpool with friends. The campus is easily accessible through an extensive network of highways within the Klang Valley. It is connected via the Middle Ring Road II (MRR2), Damansara Puchong Highway (LDP), Kesas Highway, North-South Expressway and the Puchong-Sungai Besi Bypass.

